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TO AMEMBASSY PRAGUE IMMEDIATE

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TAGS: PFOR, SOPN, CZ

SUBJECT: RUDE PRAVO ARTICLE ATTACKING SECRETARY

REFERENCE: PRAGUE 2271

1. EMBASSY SHOULD MAKE OFFICIAL DEMARCHE ON RUDE PRAVO AUGUST 7 PERSONAL ATTACK ON SECRETARY AND ASSERTION THAT "STATE DEPARTMENT AND INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY" MEMBERS PREPARED FROLIK AND AUGUST FOR SENATE SUB-COMMITTEE HEARINGS, AS PART OF ALLEGED SCHEME TO HEIGHTEN ANTI-COMMUNIST SENTIMENT IN WESTERN EUROPE.

2. AMBASSADOR (OR CHARGE) SHOULD AT EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY MAKE FOLLOWING POINTS TO ZANTOVSKY: (1) WE FIND IT VERY DISTURBING THAT RUDE PRAVO, OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE CZCP, WOULD HARSHLY ATTACK U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE, CALLING HIM IN EFFECT "LIAR." (2) THE SECRETARY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF

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STATE HAD NO ROLE IN PREPARING OR ENCOURAGING AUGUST AND

FROLIK TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE SENATE SUB-COMMITTEE ON  
INTERNAL SECURITY. (3) THE MFA IS WELL AWARE THAT THE  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE DOES NOT CONTROL THE ACTIVITIES OF  
CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES. (4) WE REGARD THIS PERSONAL  
ATTACK ON THE SECRETARY AND INTENTIONALLY MISLEADING  
JOURNALISM TO BE INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROFESSED DESIRE OF

PRESIDENT HUSAK AND OTHER CZECHOSLOVAK OFFICIALS TO  
IMPROVE THE BILATERAL ATMOSPHERE. SUCH MEDIA TREATMENT  
BRINGS INTO QUESTION THE SINCERITY OF THE GOC'S  
INTENTIONS.

3. REQUEST REPORT FOLLOWING DEMARCHE. ROBINSON

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